GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3139
ANSWERED ON:08.12.2000
BLACKMARKETING OF WHEAT
RAMJI MANJHI

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to remove wheat and rice out of the purview of the Essential Comodities Act, 1955;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the status of cases pending in courts in respect of blackmarketing of wheat, rice etc.;

(d) whether the Government are considering to drop all those cases of blackmarketing; and

(e) if so, the reasons therefor?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI CHAUHAN)

(a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c),(d) & (e) : Cases relating to blackmarketing of wheat, rice etc. are dealt with by individual State Governments/UT Administrations.